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SUBJECT: VISIT OF DR. GLEN GRAVES, NSF

1. DR. GLEN A. GRAVES, OFFICE OF ENERGY R&D POLICY (OEP), NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, WILL BE IN JAPAN TO ATTEND IAEA CONTROLLED NUCLEAR FUSION RESEARCH MEETING NOV. 11-15 AND TAKE PART IN SOME OF ITS SUBSEQUENT VISITS TO RESEARCH SITES AND FACILITIES. HE WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH SCICOUNS AND NSF REP TO DISCUSS JAPANESE ENERGY SITUATION, GOJ ORGANIZATIONS DEALING WITH ENERGY QUESTIONS, GOVERNMENTAL PRIORITIES AND POLICIES ON ENERGY R&D, AND INFLUENCE OF INTERNAL COMMERCIAL ORGANIZATIONS AND EXTERNAL INITIATIVES ON JAPANESE COOPERATION IN INTERNATIONAL ENERGY R&D. HE WOULD ALSO LIKE HELP IN ARRANGING VISITS WITH TWO OR THREE RESPONSIBLE JAPANESE OFFICIALS TO OBTAIN A SPECTRUM OF THEIR VIEWS ON SIMILAR TOPICS. HE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS OR ADVICE IN ARRANGING VISITS TO RESEARCH FACILITIES.
2. OEP IS STAFF OFFICE SERVING DR. STEVER, NSF DIRECTOR, IN HIS ROLE OF SCIENCE ADVISER. OEP LOOKS AT ALL ASPECTS OF GOVERNMENTAL ENERGY R&D PROGRAMS AND PLANS AND PROVIDES INDEPENDENT ADVICE ON THESE MATTERS TO OMB.

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3. GRAVES IS NUCLEAR PHYSICIST OF LONG EXPERIENCE AT LASL.

HE WORKED THERE ON CRITICALITY PROBLEMS, SPACE NUCLEAR
PROPULSION, REACTOR SAFETY AND THE LIKE, AND MOST RECENTLY

SERVED IN THE LASL DIRECTOR'S OFFICE WITH CONCERNS FOR
ALMOST ALL NON-WEAPONS RESEARCH MATTERS. HE WAS HEAD OF
PHYSICS SECTION OF IAEA IN VIENNA IN 1969-70, HELPED
ORGANIZE A U.S. GROUP TO DISCUSS COOPERATION IN ENERGY
R&D WITH THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES THIS SPRING, AND IS
MEMBER OF INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL COOPER-
ATION IN ENERGY R&D.

4. GRAVES WILL CONTACT EMBASSY ON NOV. 11, FIRST WORKING
DAY AFTER ARRIVAL. HOTEL RESERVATIONS UNCERTAIN AT THIS
TIME. WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING BY TELEGRAM PRELIMINARY
SUGGESTIONS FOR VISITS TO AGENCIES AND RESEARCH SITES;
LATTER MAY BE AT ANY LOCATION DEEMED DESIRABLE IN JAPAN.
GRAVES AVAILABLE FOR LOCAL VISITS DURING WEEK OF FUSION
CONFERENCE AND FOR LONGER TRIPS DURING FOLLOWING WEEK.
LETTER FOLLOWS GIVING FURTHER EXPLANATION. KISSINGER

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